

State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DIVISION OF AIR QUALITY

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DAQC-1152-97

August 18, 1997

Craig Thatcher, President Thatcher Company P.O. Box 27407 Salt Lake City, Utah 84127

Dear Mr. Thatcher:

Re: Request for a Hearing Before the Utah Air Quality Board - Notices of Violation - Salt Lake County

The Executive Secretary issued two separate Notices of Violation (NOVs) to Thatcher Company dated April 8, 1996 and September 4, 1996.

Thatcher Company provided a written response on April 22, 1996, to the NOV dated April 8, 1996, and reserved the right to a hearing before the Utah Air Quality Board (UAQB) on the issuance of the April 8, 1996, NOV. Thatcher Company provided a written response on September 13, 1996, to the NOV dated September 4, 1996; however, in its response, Thatcher Company failed to reserve the right to a hearing before the UAQB on the issuance of the September 4, 1996, NOV.

In spite of settlement meetings and correspondence, the Division of Air Quality (DAQ) and Thatcher Company have not been able to reach a settlement agreement on either of these NOVs. The DAQ will place the request for a hearing on the April 8, 1996, NOV on the agenda for the September 3, 1997, Board meeting. The DAQ is in the process of referring the September 4, 1996, NOV to the Attorney General's Office for appropriate legal action, which may include filing a lawsuit.

The DAQ will coordinate with Thatcher Company on the date and time of the hearing for the April 8, 1996, NOV. If you have any questions, please call Jay Morris at (801) 536-4079.

Sincerely,

Ursula K. Trueman, Executive Director

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cc: Salt Lake City/County Health Department

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